

after line 10, insert:

A 2 -- Description of the Background --.

Page 3, line 6, delete

"Disclosure of the Invention" and insert therefor:

A 3 -- SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION --;

after line 24, insert:

A 4 -- DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT --.

IN THE CLAIMS

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A 5 --12. (Amended) A glutamic acid-synthesizing gene having a promoter according to
[any one of Claims 4 to 8] Claim 4.--

--16. (Amended) A method of producing an amino acid or nucleic acid by [the steps
of] culturing a coryneform bacterium constructed by the method of [any one of Claims 1 to
11] Claim 1, and having an improved amino acid - or nucleic acid - productivity[, or the
coryneform bacterium of Claims 14 or 15] in a culture medium to form and thereby [to]
accumulate the [intended] amino acid or nucleic acid in the culture medium, and collecting
[it] the amino acid or nucleic acid from the culture medium.--

A 6 --17. (Amended) A method of producing L-glutamic acid by fermentation, which
comprises [the steps of] culturing a coryneform L-glutamic acid-producing bacterium
resistant to 4-fluoroglutamic acid in a liquid culture medium to produce and thereby [to]
accumulate L-glutamic acid in the culture medium, and collecting [it] the L-glutamic acid
from the culture medium.--